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COMMENT.

The Maine returns are a con-
clusive and emphatic Republican
endorsement of the high tariff,
the force bill, and the demonetiza-
tion of silver.

Notwithstanding Reed's re-
election by an increased majority,
the Democrats gained twelve
members of the Legislature at the
same election.

Case Broderick of Jackson
county, Kansas, has been nomi-
nated by the Republicans of that
Congressional district to succeed
Hon. E. M. Morrill in the next
Congress.

Speaker Reed, who was re-
elected to Congress by an in-
creased majority, the other day,
is the man who did more than any
other half dozen men to defeat
the free coinage of silver.

Senator Plum's prediction that
there will be a deficit in the pub-
lic revenues for the fiscal year
ending June 30, 1891, of at least
fifty millions. This Republican
Congress seems to have very
effectively adopted Tanner's ob-
jection—"To h— with the sur-
plus."

English capitalists have bought
up nearly all the tin mines in the
United States, and the four cents
per lb tariff tax which the Ameri-
can people will pay on tin ore, un-
der the new tariff, will go into the
pockets of foreigners to be again
reinvested for the sole benefit of
foreigners. The people of the
United States will simply "hold
the bag."

There is something manifestly
wrong in a system of tariff taxa-
tion that enables the manufac-
turer to sell his goods in foreign
countries at one half the price he
gets for them at home—that com-
pels Americans to pay twice as
much for goods of American
manufacture as foreigners have to
pay. That is what the Republi-
can tariff does.

The St. Louis Globe Democrat
candidly remarks that "it is safe
to predict at least one thing with
regard to the next apportionment,
and that is that under no cir-
cumstances will it be so arranged as
to permit the election of a Demo-
cratic President." Certainly, that
is what the Republican Election
Force Bill is for.

Silver has gone down from 120
to 116 and a fraction, under the
Republican silver demonetization
bill. Silver is still simply a com-
modity, like corn and cotton, sub-
ject to all the fluctuations of other
commodities, and will be until it
is made absolute money, the same
as gold—as insisted on and voted
for by practically every Democrat
in Congress, and voted down, un-
der the inspiration of Speaker
Reed, by practically every Republi-
can in Congress.

The McKinley tariff bill puts an
importation tax of one dollar and
fifty cents per head on sheep, and
ten dollars a head on cattle. This
is a prohibitive duty, and the
ranchmen and stock masters of
Southern New Mexico will here-
after have to find some other
source besides Mexico for stock-
ing up their ranches. Many
thousands of cattle in northern
Mexico are owned by American
cattle men, and unless these cat-
tle are brought across the border
before the bill takes effect, it will
amount to the practical confisca-
tion of all such cattle.

In 1833, nearly sixty years ago,
M. Clay, the father of the protec-
tive tariff system, promised that
if Congress would give the man-
ufacturers—the "infant industries"—
the benefit of the 30 per cent
tariff bill then pending, and
"cease all fluctuations for nine
years, the manufacturers in every
branch will sustain themselves
against foreign competition, as
the infants would then be grown
and able to sustain themselves.
They got their 30 per cent. protec-
tion, but have ever since been de-
stroyed by continued protection, till
their demand has risen from thirty
per cent, to the scale now pend-
ing in the bill before Congress,
running from 40 to 133 per cent.
These infants have become ex-
ceedingly unpopular, at least in
the strength of their demands.

**THE IMPEACHMENT CLAUSE IN THE
LIGHT OF HISTORY.**

During the last session of the
Territorial Legislature very serious
friction occurred between that
body and the Executive because of
the veto and defeat by the latter of
many of the legislative measures
for the promotion of personal and
partisan ends.

One of these was "to amend
practices in the Supreme Court."
This bill was made applicable to
cases then pending in the Su-
preme court, was re-invested in
its operation and therefore un-
constitutional, and was intended
to apply especially to two cases
then pending, in one of which a
member of the Legislature was
the principal, and seeking relief
by this means, sitting and voting
for the measure as a party in in-
terest and in his own behalf, while
other members also sat and voted
for the bill as the attorneys of the
clients thus legislating in their
own behalf and against the inter-
ests of constituents. Councilman
Pedro Perea was the party in in-
terest seeking relief through a
legislative change in the rules of
the court, and Councilman T. B.
Catron was his attorney and the
reputed author of the bill.

Another was what is known as
the "Limitation Bill," a bill wholly
in the interest of grant claimants,
and subversive of the rights of
actual settlers on the public lands
claimed, no matter how ground-
lessly, as grants. Though pur-
porting to establish title by limita-
tion of occupancy, it was in fact a
bill of ejectment against all but
grant claimants.

Another was a bill providing
for the foreclosure of mortgages
on real estate, which violated the
Constitution of the United States
and the principles of common hon-
esty, in that it was retroactive in
its effect and intent, and by
changing the nature of an existing
contract without the consent of
the parties thereto—a measure of
publicly had faith that would have
effectually discouraged future in-
vestments of much needed capital
in New Mexico securities.

These are but samples of half a
score of measures passed by that
Legislature and defeated by Exe-
cutive veto, besides as many more
equally objectionable, that were
passed over the veto.

So indignant were the leading
members of the Legislature over
the defeat of so many of their
peculiar schemes by the Execu-
tive, that there was open talk of
his impeachment and deposition,
and if the Organic law had per-
mitted it, there is no question that
it would have been done, and done
promptly, and thus all obstacles
to this vicious legislation re-
moved.

But that remedy was not within
their reach, and all their fuss and
fury was futile.

A large portion of the members
of that Legislature and who partici-
pated in this legislation, were
afterwards also active and influen-
tial members of the Convention
which framed the proposed State
Constitution.

Smarting with the sting of the
defeat of so many of their legisla-
tive schemes of avarice and of
partisan hate, they saw in that
Convention an opportunity to
evade, under state government,
adverse Executive influence, by
providing for the practical nulli-
fication of the Executive veto, and
in case of that failing, for his sus-
pension from office practically
from the beginning to the end of
his term.

Section 7 of article 5, by pro-
viding that two thirds of the mem-
bers in either house of the Legis-
lature may pass a bill over a veto,
and thus makes it possible for a
vetoed bill to be passed into law
by one-third of the membership of
the body. It is a monstrous propo-
sition, and overrides all law and
precedent, that it shall be possible
to pass a bill over the Executive
veto by an actually less vote than
was required to pass the same bill
in the first instance.

But this was only one move in
the game. The next is in section
8 of the same chapter, which pro-
vides that the Governor may be
removed from the office to which
the people have elected him, by a
bare majority of the House of

Representatives, on the mere pre-
sentation of an impeachment,
without trial, without a hearing in
any form, and without the coun-
terance of the Senate. The House
is at once, absolutely and without
recourse, and without consulta-
tion with or the co-operation of
the Senate, thus made the master
of the governor and dictator
over the people.

Taken together, these two pro-
positions show a concerted, no-
herent and logical conspiracy to
usurp the powers of government
by the Legislative branch and
more especially by the House of
Representatives, by the destruc-
tion of that principle of co-ordina-
tion established in the Constitu-
tion of the United States and re-
peated in practically every State
Constitution that has since been
framed, and which has become
the very corner stone of our pol-
itical edifice. It is revolution in
its most insidious form, and its
logical end is anarchy.

This country has had some ex-
perience in the impeachment of
executive officers. When the
President of the United States
was impeached by the House of
Representatives upon trumped up
partisan and utterly baseless
charges some years ago, it was
demanded that he should be sus-
pended from his office during the
pendency of the trial. But there
was nothing in the Constitution
that authorized or permitted that,
and so the effort was abandoned.

But these New Mexico Constitu-
tion framers propose to remove
that obstacle from the path of
their ambition, and so have put it
into this Constitution, that the
Governor shall be at once re-
moved upon the presentation of
charges.

It is of course understood that
this Territory is Democratic, and
that the Governor will be a Demo-
crat. Also that so long as the
present partisan apportionment
is continued, as it is under this
Constitution, the Legislature will
be Republican.

The way is thus clear, immedi-
ately upon the manifestation by
the Governor of opposition to in-
judicious legislation, for the
House to proceed at once to his
removal, through the prescribed
formula, to the infallibility of the
President of the Senate in his
place, that officer being in the line
of succession.

The remainder of the session of
sixty days will be too short a
time to transact the business of
the session and try the impeach-
ment, so it is postponed to the
day of adjournment, and the Re-
publican President of the Senate
remains Governor of the state, to
the exclusion of the man elected
by the people, till another biennial
election day comes around, when
the same game is ready for repeti-
tion.

A Constitution that makes pos-
sible such a travesty upon popular
government is not a proper Con-
stitution for a free people. Yet
that is precisely the kind of a
Constitution the people of New
Mexico are asked to adopt.

That is the kind of a Constitu-
tion Mr. Otero, the Republican
candidate for Congress, assisted
Tom Catron in framing, and with
the aid of which these two
worthies hope to misrepresent
the people of New Mexico in the
United States Senate.

The people of New Mexico will
see through their little game of
ostracism of political opponents—
of land grant tax exemption and
political ambition, and will take good
care, on Oct. 7th, to see that this
instrument for their political and
financial enslavement is buried
under an avalanche of freemen's
votes.

The re-election of Speaker Reed
by an increased majority is a de-
mand on the part of the Maine
Republicans for the prompt pass-
age of the Force Bill for govern-
mental control of state elections.

Since Reed has been triumph-
antly re-elected to Congress, in
good part by the help of Blaine's
friends, Reed is having a bad at-
tack of the Presidential fever,
and his friends are now trying to
kill off Blaine.

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The tariff bill as it has been sent to en-
grossment by the Senate provides for
reimposing the taxes on tea and coffee
which were repealed by the Republicans
as part of the "Free Breakfast Table"
agitation, the object of which was to keep
the taxes high on manufactured goods by
releasing them on tea and coffee. Hides
were put on the free list, not only with
this object in view, but to give New En-
gland lower prices on them. The Republi-
cans of the Senate now pass a bill to
abolish "the free breakfast table," reim-
posing the tea and coffee taxes in a very
singular way. The bill they have adopt-
ed says that "the President shall have
power and it shall be his duty" to reim-
pose these taxes whenever he thinks it
expedient to retaliate against foreign
countries. The taxes then to be collect-
ed from the American consumer are as
follows:

On coffee 3 cents a pound.
On tea 10 cents a pound.
On sugar from 7-10 of a cent to 2 cents
a pound.
On molasses 4 cents a gallon.
On hides 1 1/2 cent a pound.
This scheme for more taxes is the Sen-
ate substitute for Mr. Blaine's free scheme
of free trade. In the view of the Senate
Republicans, Mr. Blaine's reciprocity is a
first rate excuse for more taxes, and they
have accordingly indignantly adopted it
to the necessity of a situation in which
a deficit in the Treasury is one of the cer-
tainities of the next two years.

The republicans caucus. It is said, in
its meeting on Friday night denounced
Chief Justice O'Brien as a traitor, neither
merciful nor unmerciful. They even
went so far as to propose that resolutions
should be offered in the convention con-
demning his course and demanding his
removal at the hands of Mr. Harrison.
All this happened in a heated way, and
was cut by the fact that the chief justice said in
substance that if a set of land thieves
should attempt to fence up the country
back in the states as they are doing in
New Mexico not only would they fence
be cut by the plundered people but their
houses would be burned over their heads.
Touch a land grabber, even so much as
by word or implication, and all the re-
publican bosses are stirred to fury, like
a hive of bees deprived of its queen.
[Alt. Dem.]

The statehood boomers look to such
counties as Valencia for their greatest
support. Valencia county has a popu-
lation of 14,000 and does not support a
newspaper nor a public school. Valen-
cia county comes third in population and
is the home of Col. J. Frank Conover who
is not a friend of education. (Black
Range.)

The maple-sap boilers of Vermont are
to be encouraged with money taken di-
rectly from the Treasury at the expense
of the farmers of Illinois and Iowa. And
both Vermont and Illinois are to be
robbed. What the West needs most and
what is Western men to represent it.

The New York Herald, heretofore an
apologist of Senator Quay, now insists
that his longer silence under accusation
will be a confession of guilt. It has been
understood that Quay made his confes-
sion to Cameron, and as for the public—
well, "the public be damned."

The statehood movement is detrimental
to the welfare of the republican party
of New Mexico as well as to the people.
It is a "machine enterprise" wrought by
and for the personal vicious gains of cer-
tain political schemers. (Black Range.)

The centennial of the New English in-
fant industry of cotton manufacturing
will be celebrated at Pawtucket on the
20th of this month. The infant has cut
its eye teeth during the first hundred
years, but it can't stand alone yet.

The Republicans of Bernadillo have pro-
posed committees for statehood and have
labeled them "non-partisan." It is very
necessary to label the thing, for unless
they did so one would know that it was
non-partisan. [Securo Adv.]

Every man interested in mine or min-
ing should use every effort to defeat the
constitution. Do not stay at home and
trust to luck, but come out and help de-
feat it. [Securo Adv.]

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